

Child Care and Development Fund
FACT SHEET
November, 2008
Montana

Caseload

- 5,628 children were served this month in this program
- 3,453 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 6.5% of the families entered the program during this period
- Yellowstone County accounted for 22.0% of all families served

Children

- 86.0% of children were served in licensed care
- 10.6% of children were cared for by relatives
- Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 118 hours per month
- School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 24.0% of all children served
- White children accounted for 77.3% of all children served

Families

- 79.1% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.8% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 87.3% of families were headed by a single parent
- 14.3% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$351 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 9.2% of the cost and the program paid 90.8%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$410
- Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$233
- 84.1% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Park County at \$513 per child
- Garfield County ranks first in relative care statewide with 75.0% of all children cared for by relatives.